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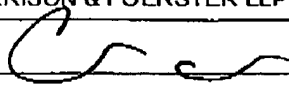
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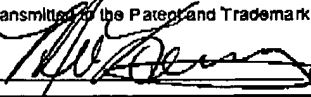
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 15, 2005 (Paper No. 110905), issued in accordance with the practice under *Ex Parte Quayle* for which a response is due on January 15, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Please enter the following amendment which responds to the requirements set forth in the Office Action, and pass this case to issue, as it is in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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